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The Honorable Neil Frank R. Ferrer, Consul General
Consulate General of the Republic of the Philippines-San Francisco
447 Sutter Street, 6th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94108

Dear Consul General Ferrer:

I am writing to inquire if the Philippine government may be interested in receiving one of our ferry vessels, the *Malaspina*. This vessel is surplus to our fleet, is in need of some repairs, but does have some service life left. We would be willing to provide the vessel to the Philippine government or to a private ferry company in the Philippines free of charge. The ferry is available for inspections, if there is any interest. A video of the vessel can be found here:
[5\) MV Malaspina - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TqX4p6dadpQ) (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TqX4p6dadpQ>).

I would be honored to host you and members of the Filipino community here in Juneau when you visit. Please contact my Director of Scheduling, Janice Mason, at (907) 465-3500 or through email at Janice.mason@alaska.gov to provide advance notice of your visit.

My staff have also enjoyed meeting and working with Ms. Rebecca Carrillo, the Honorary Consul for the State of Alaska.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Dunleavy".

Mike Dunleavy
Governor

Enclosure



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The MV Malaspina is named after the Malaspina Glacier, located in Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve, the largest piedmont glacier in the world.



The vessel was designed by Phillip F. Spaulding and Associates of Seattle, Washington and constructed at the Puget Sound Bridge & Dry Dock in Seattle. The MV Malaspina was one of three sister ships that made up the original AMHS fleet in 1963. After nine years in operation, the ship underwent lengthening and renovation at the Willamette Iron and Steel Company in Portland, Oregon. Today, the vessel is 408 feet long and 74 feet wide, with a domestic gross tonnage of 2,928 and a service speed of 16.5 knots.



The MV Malaspina is designed to carry 450 passengers and has a vehicle capacity of 1,675 linear feet, which is equal to approximately 83 twenty-foot vehicles. There are 45 four-berth and 26

two-berth cabins, as well as 1 wheelchair-accessible cabin. The vessel is also equipped with observation lounges, a heated solarium, a cafeteria-style restaurant, a movie lounge, showers, coin-operated lockers, microwaves, writing and quiet lounges, and a child's play area in addition to cabins. Click on the image to start a slideshow of all deck plans on the MV Malaspina or view our [Vessel Information Table](#) for more statistical information.